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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): I. ECHIZEN, et al

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For: METHOD OF EXTRACTING DIGITAL WATERMARK INFORMATION  
AND METHOD OF JUDGING BIT VALUE OF DIGITAL WATERMARK  
INFORMATION

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

February 3, 2004

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims.**